

EASTERN PANHANDLE REGIONAL RESOURCE CONNECTION

Meeting Minutes

Group Meeting: RRC

Meeting Date: June 15, 2010

Members Present: Pam Snyder, Robin Wilt, Ashley Whaley, Diana Wall, Kamaal, DeAnna, Robin Kees, Marge Ruth, Pam Wuimette, Pat McMillan, Trina Bartlett, Ann Burns (Guest Speaker), Bryan Pumphrey, Paula Reese, Christin Lynch, Chrissa Cunningham, Teresa Warnick, Audrey Morris, Darcia, Cheryl Moyer, Glenda Helman, Kathy Bradley

Members Absent: Captain Welch

| Key Points Discussed | Key Decisions Made |
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| <p>1 April Meeting Minutes</p> <p>2 Coordinators Monthly Reports</p> <p>3 Cumulative Report</p> <p>4 HMIS Presentation</p> <p>5 I&R</p> | <p>1 Minutes were accepted without change</p> <p>2 Berkeley had an \$11,000 increase in May over the month of April. This was due to the electric bills received in May that had actual meter readings. The previous 4 months were estimated bill and May was a catch up bill with huge amounts due. Client contributions are averaging 21%. Jefferson is experiencing the same increase in utility bills. Client contributions were 11% of total Morgan County clients contribute 15% of total</p> <p>3 Darcia noted that the amount requested in the first 5 months of this year is the same amount as 8 months of last year. At this rate we will be at \$1 million requested before the end of the year.</p> <p>4 Anna Burns presented an overview of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). This system is being used by Telamon and Community Networks. HMIS would synchronize information from different areas into 1 database. This would allow for more accurate and up to date information on clients. Governors Office of Economic Opportunity is funding HMIS. We will revisit this in July and set up a group to discuss feasibility.</p> <p>5 DeAnna noted that she is getting many calls from people who are homeless or are about to become homeless.</p> |

Key Points Discussed

Key Decisions Made

6 ID Card

Robin said they are still working on hiring someone permanent for the I&R position.

6 The group agreed that putting together a card for clients is just not going to work. Since Kamaal has access to our database the policy will be to call him to verify the client is receiving services from DHHR.

7 RRC PowerPoint

7 The PowerPoint is finished and Trina will put it up on the Website.

8 School Clothing

8 The posters were handed out to all members to give to their clients.

9 Harvest Community Church

9 They are assisting clients referred to them by Kamaal. Harvest Community is also involved with the Angel Food Network. Bryan Pumphrey discussed that his approach is to mentor the clients so that they can become self sufficient.

10 HRRP

10 There have been 197 households prescreened with 140 in Berkeley, 41 in Jefferson, and 16 in Morgan County. 35 of the 197 were RRC referrals. There are 40 participants so far 27 in Berkeley, 10 in Jefferson, 3 in Morgan. 19 of these were RRC referrals. Financial assistance totals year to date is \$79,802.00

Round Robin

Trina invited the group to the Self Sufficiency meeting on Monday. The speaker is from KISRA in Charleston. They would like to do a pilot program in the Eastern Panhandle called IDA. The program involves a 3 to 1 match of savings for eligible clients. To be eligible a client needs to be employed, be at 200% of poverty level, be enrolled in a financial literacy program, and have assets of no more than \$10,000 (homes and cars not included)

Glenda would like to see everyone at the Big Bucks Bingo on July 1st. This is a fundraiser with a portion of the proceeds going to Community Networks. Doors open at 5PM

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Next Meeting - July 20 @ 9AM

Key Decisions Made

Robin Kees announced that Telamon's Family Stabilization Program is not accepting new clients at this time. They will announce when they have openings for new clients.